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Applicant: Adrien et al. Art Unit: 1743

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Petition for Extension of Time

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time of three (3) months from the original response date of March 1, 2005 for responding to the outstanding final Office Action in the above-identified patent application. With the extension of time, the period for response now extends up to and includes June 1, 2005. A check for \$1,020.00 is enclosed herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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